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MULTINATIONAL INFORMATION SHARING (MNIS) CURRENT OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS REQUIREMENTS MANAGEMENT PROCESS

References: See Enclosure C.

1. Purpose. This instruction establishes a CJCS requirements management process for sustainment of the three MNIS current operational systems: Combined Enterprise Regional Information Exchange System (CENTRIXS), Griffin, and Combined Federated Battle Laboratory Network (CFBLNet).¹ These systems are MNIS current operational (CENTRIXS and Griffin) and direct operational support (CFBLNet) systems requiring sustainment until a broader Net-Centric Enterprises Services (NCES) and Global Information Grid (GIG) compliant approach to MNIS is developed. This interim process is established to match user requirements for operations and maintenance support of existing systems with programmed funding.

2. Cancellation. None.

3. Applicability. This instruction applies to OSD, the Joint Staff, combatant commands, Services, Defense agencies, and other DOD activities engaged in sharing information under formal exchange agreements with CENTRIXS, Griffin, and CFBLNet participating member nations.

4. Policy

a. The ability to share classified and unclassified information with allies and coalition partners is a critical element in multinational operations. CENTRIXS, Griffin, and CFBLNet provide proven operational and research, development, testing & evaluation (RDT&E) capabilities and services that must be sustained to support current and anticipated warfighter needs. The MNIS current operational systems will continue to provide capabilities to combatant commands, Services, and agencies until the objective MNIS replaces or consolidates an operational capability equal to or greater than the capability

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provided by the current operational system. The operations and sustainment support for MNIS current operational systems will evolve to a Services Based Sustainment (SBS) concept integrated into the Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) net-centric services operations.

b. The process defined in this instruction integrates combatant command, Service, and Agency priorities across the Range of Military Operations and provides procedures for allies, coalition partners, and other participating nations to identify interoperability considerations affecting existing current operational system multilateral and bilateral network domains.

c. The scope of requirements pertaining to these three systems is limited to existing operations and may include extending current capabilities to new partners (footprint expansions). New, increased capabilities to support valid information sharing requirements will be managed on a case-by-case urgency-of-need basis through the Joint Urgent Operational Need (JUON) process as an exception to policy. During the interim period until the objective MNIS program is established, current operational system sustainment requirements are managed by this instruction. As the DOD Executive Agent (EA) for MNIS formally establishes the objective MNIS program, DOD EA for MNIS will establish and manage the associated longer-term objective program requirements process. Following the migration of current operational system capabilities to complete oversight by the DOD EA for MNIS and the DISA MNIS Joint Program Office (JPO), the DOD EA for MNIS will manage the process for all objective program requirements procedures.

d. This instruction applies to all current operational system components within CENTRIXS, including bilateral agreements arranged by combatant commands with individual partner nations.

e. This interim requirements process will be reviewed and approved by JCIDS biannually to determine the need for continuation.

f. The NC-FCB will access the MNIS requirements for funded, unfunded, and unanticipated current operational systems needs to determine competing priorities with existing requirements and to facilitate adjustments to the MNIS JPO implementation program.

g. The MNIS current operational system requirements process flow chart at Enclosure A provides process guidance.

5. MNIS Current Operational Systems Requirement Request Format. See Enclosure B

6. Definitions. See Glossary.

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7. Responsibilities

a. The CJCS will serve as the primary focal point for collecting, prioritizing, and validating current operational system sustainment requirements and providing them to the MNIS JPO for implementation. All current operational sustainment requirements will be coordinated in line with the MNIS requirements process flow chart at Enclosure A with Joint Staff/J-6 and Joint Staff/J-3 to ensure operational interoperability, compatibility, priority, and consistency across requesting combatant commands, Services, and agencies.

(1) Joint Staff/J-6 will gather international requirement considerations related to the Combined Communications Electronics Board (CCEB), Multinational Interoperability Council (MIC), North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), North American Air Defense (NORAD) Command, and United Nations Command (UNC) partnerships participating in CENTRIXS, Griffin, and CFBLNet. USEUCOM normally collects NATO requirements. Allied nations, coalition partners, and other participating nations that are not formal members of CCEB, MIC, NATO, NORAD and UNC may submit requirements through combatant command sponsors to Joint Staff/J-6.

(2) Joint Staff/J-6 will gather current operational system requirements from combatant commands, Services, and agencies semi-annually to ensure timely integration into the Planning, Programming, Budgeting, and Execution (PPBE) process:

(a) Prior to (~Nov) the initial combatant command and Service budget build process.

(b) Prior to (~Apr) the mid-year budget review cycle to allow requirements updates.

(3) Joint Staff/J-6 will reference Integrated Priority Lists (IPLs), Joint Quarterly Requirements Reviews (JQRRs), JUONs, and other data calls, as appropriate, to define current operational systems requirements. Joint Staff J-6 will:

(a) Forward collected requirements to Joint Staff/J-3 for validation and prioritization recommendations.

(b) Forward initial allocation recommendations of current operational requirements via JCIDS for JROC approval, after receipt of the Joint Staff/J-3 validation and prioritization inputs.

(c) Once approved by the NC-FCB, forward validated, prioritized requirements that can be addressed within current funding levels to DISA. Maintenance of existing and post-evaluation systems will be programmed and

funded with O&M funds. Research, development, test and evaluation of systems, to include the upkeep and maintenance of systems prior to programmatic acquisition decisions, will be funded with RDT&E resources.

(4) Joint Staff/J-3 will provide validation and prioritization recommendations, through Joint Staff/J-6, to the NC-FCB for allocation to current operational and objective MNIS programs.

(5) During the prioritization and validation process, the Joint Staff will consolidate inputs from the combatant commands, Services, agencies, and allied and coalition partner communities by applying the following standards to ensure available resources are equitably distributed throughout the warfighting community to meet the most critical needs:

(a) MNIS requirements in direct support of current combat operations such as OEF, OIF, and the WOT.

(b) Requirements supporting operational, non-combat multinational information exchanges at strategic, operational, and tactical levels among allies and coalition partners.

(c) Requirements supporting non-operational, non-combat multinational information exchanges such as RDT&E initiatives, exercises, and demonstrations of multinational capabilities.

b. The DISA MNIS JPO is responsible for executing current operational systems sustainment. DISA MNIS JPO will:

(1) Manage MNIS current operational system planning, programming, budgeting, and execution commensurate with warfighter requirements provided by Joint Staff.

(2) Implement and support MNIS current operational system network operations and information sharing services using a Net-Centric Enterprise model in consideration of the Global Information Grid's Information Assurance available capabilities, and in coordination with the Unified DOD/Intelligence Community (IC) Cross Domain Management Capability (CDMC) element and the Net-Enabled Command Capability Joint Program Executive Office (JPEO).

(3) Ensure requirements are appropriately integrated with Enterprise Architecture and NETOPS mandates, determine where migration of MNIS current operational system capabilities to an enterprise services level is appropriate and action that migration within the funding available.

c. The JCIDS process (e.g. NC-FCB) will:

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(1) Act as the decision/recommendation authority for the semi-annual prioritization and allocation of MNIS current operational systems requirements.

(2) Provide oversight for ensuring unprogrammed and/or unfunded MNIS current operational systems requirements are addressed and provide adjudication for issue resolution.

(3) Coordinate with C2 Functional Capabilities Board (C2-FCB), as required, on all MNIS requirements related to C2 matters.

(4) Continue to track and resolve unfunded requirements through the JCIDS process where they will be adjudicated as either capabilities to be implemented with the MNIS current operational systems or forwarded to the DOD EA for MNIS as a new capability for the objective MNIS effort.

d. Combatant commands, Services, and DOD agencies are responsible for gathering internal sustainment requirements, prioritizing and submitting to Joint Staff/J-6. Internal requirements include those from participating nations in combatant command-, Service-, and agency-sponsored activities with the current operational systems. Combatant commands, Services, and agencies will submit current operational requirements to Joint Staff/J-6 in accordance with the format provided in Enclosure B.

8. Releasability. This instruction is approved for public release; distribution is unlimited. DOD components (to include the combatant commands), other Federal agencies, and the public may obtain copies of this instruction through the Internet from the CJCS Directives Home Page -- http://www.dtic.mil/cjcs_directives. Copies are also available through the Government Printing Office on the Joint Electronic Library CD-ROM.

9. Effective Date. This instruction is effective upon receipt.



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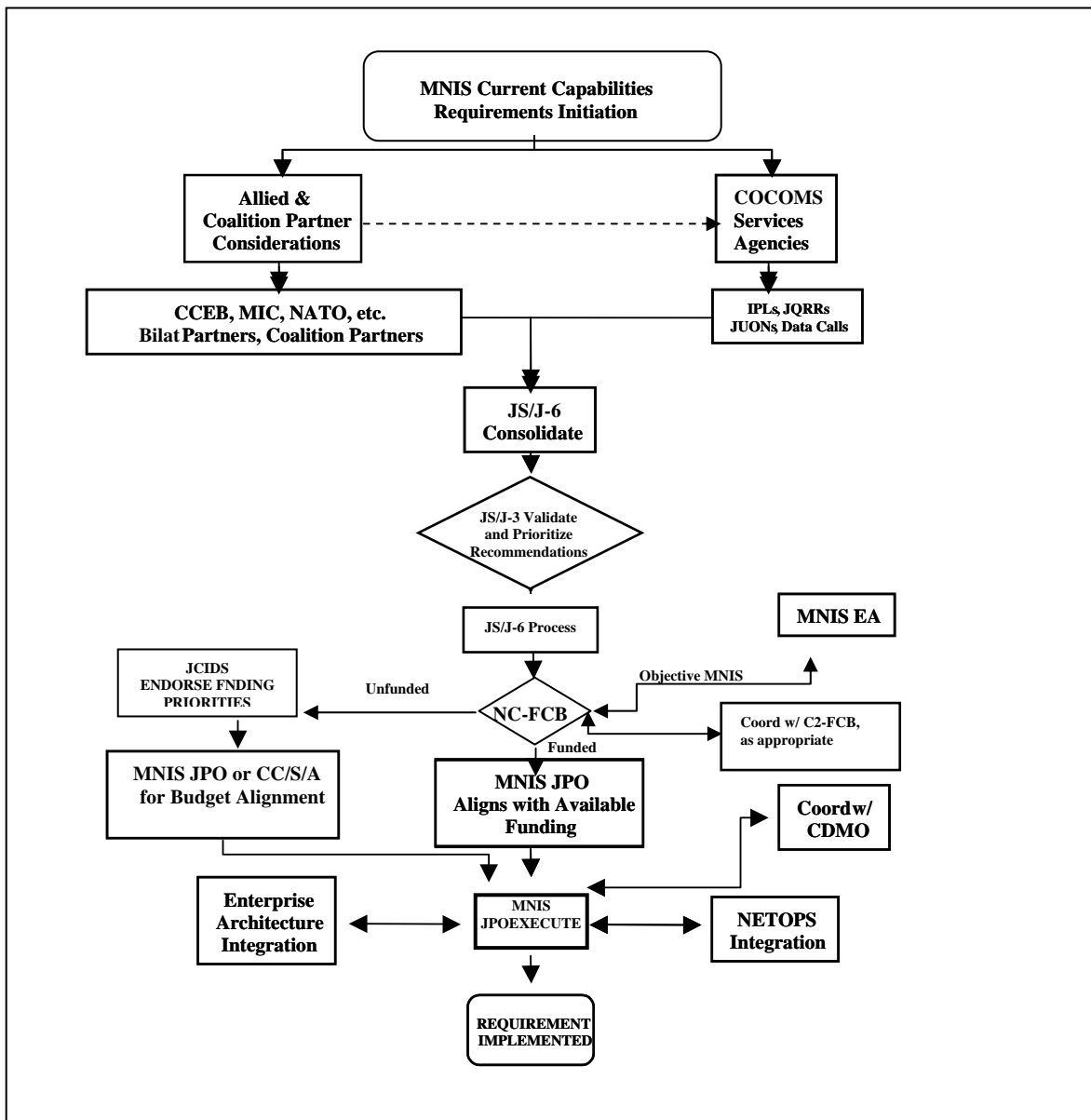
Enclosures:

- A - MNIS Current Operational Systems Requirements Process Flow Chart
- B - MNIS Current Operational Systems Requirements Request Format
- C - References
- GL - Glossary

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ENCLOSURE A

MNIS CURRENT OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS REQUIREMENTS MANAGEMENT
PROCESS FLOW CHART



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ENCLOSURE B

MNIS CURRENT OPERATIONAL SYSTEM REQUIREMENT REQUEST FORMAT

- A. Submitted By:
- B. Priority:
- C. Title:
- D. Brief History of Previous Submission:
- E. Costs:
- F. Description:
- G. Justification:
 - 1. Impact.
 - 2. Expected Benefits/Impacts.
- H. Operational Endorsement:
- I. Interoperability:
- J. Compatibility with Service-Managed Systems:
- K. Training:
- L. Additional Human Resources: None
- M. Logistics Support: N/A
- N. Outyear Support Cost: Provided through programmed O&M support funding
- O. Point of Contact:
- P. Authorized By:

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ENCLOSURE C

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DEFINITIONS

1. Combined Enterprise Regional Information Exchange System (CENTRIXS). The current DOD multinational (coalition, allied, bilateral, and multilateral) information-sharing portion of the GIG.
2. Combined Federated Battle Laboratories Network (CFBLNet). A distributed wide-area network used as the vehicle for network members (Combined Communications Electronics Board, and NATO), to conduct experiments.
3. Enterprise Network. As designated by the DOD CIO Executive Board, a network that provides a defined capability; is available to serve multiple DOD components; complies with the GIG architecture; is managed with Enterprise-wide oversight; and provides service to any user with a validated requirement.
4. Global Information Grid (GIG). The globally interconnected, end-to-end set of information capabilities, associated processes, and personnel for collecting, processing, storing, disseminating and managing information on demand to warfighters, policy makers, and support personnel. The GIG includes all owned and leased communications and computing systems and services, software (including applications), data, security services, and other associated services necessary to achieve Information Superiority. It also includes national security systems as defined in section 5142 of the Clinger-Cohen Act of 1996 (reference (h)). The GIG supports all DOD, national security, and related Intelligence Community missions and functions (strategic, operational, tactical and business), in war and in peace. The GIG provides capabilities from all operating locations (bases, posts, camps, stations, facilities, mobile platforms, and deployed sites). The GIG provides interfaces to coalition, allied, and non-DOD users and systems.
5. Griffin. A framework to provide a permanent, multi-nationally-developed, managed, and resourced capability that enables the exchange of information between the classified networks of participating nations at the SECRET level. It encompasses necessary infrastructure, connectivity, applications, services, management, and governance. The reach of Griffin is dependent on the reach of each nation's classified network to its lower levels of command. All nations that participate on Griffin contribute, materially and in-kind, to the development, operation, and management of the capability. The Griffin infrastructure is a network of guards allowing e-mail between national systems.
6. Multinational Information Sharing (MNIS). A collection of net-centric applications and services capabilities that shall be resident in the future EIE of the GIG and shall function as an MNIS Community of Interest (COI) interfaced through the appropriate NSA developed and accredited information assurance

cross domain solutions to allow for unfettered sharing of MNIS information at SECRET and below levels with foreign nations and forces as an integrated MNIS solution to support the combined warfighting environment. MNIS shall include the acquisition and integration of those MNIS COI services and applications into the GIG.

7. Service Based Sustainment (SBS). The net-centric compliant Legacy Convergence approach for MNIS current operations programs. SBS spans the Service Enterprise and Service Infrastructure layers of the GIG Net-Centric Architecture.

8. Combined Communications Electronics Board (CCEB). CCEB is a five-nation joint military communications-electronics (C-E) organization whose mission is the coordination of any military C-E matter that is referred to it by a member nation. The CCEB member nations are Australia, Canada, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and the United States. The CCEB Board consists of a senior C4 representative from each member nation.

9. Multinational Interoperability Council (MIC). The MIC is a multinational, operator-led forum, to identify interoperability issues and articulate actions, which, if nationally implemented, would contribute to more effective coalition operations. The MIC member nations are Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, the United Kingdom, and the United States. These nations are most likely to form, lead and/or support a coalition operation. New Zealand and NATO Allied Command Transformation (ACT) have official observer status in the MIC. The MIC is composed of senior operations, doctrine, logistics, and C4 staff officers from each of the member nations as well as senior officials from observer nations and organizations. The MIC Principal from each member nation is a flag/general officer from the operations directorate of the national defense staff.

10. Functional Capabilities Board (FCB). FCBs are established bodies that are part of the Joint Capabilities Integration and Development System (JCIDS). They are responsible for the organization, analysis, and prioritization of joint warfighting capabilities within an assigned functional area.